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Now nationally recognized as an authority on state and local government, Stafford—son of a Baptist theologian—came out of the Middle West in 1921 to join Princeton University's Department of Politics. He had majored in English at Missouri, had taken his master's degree at his alma mater and somewhere along the line had decided to enter public service, the field he transferred to in 1932 when he was named a staff member of the Princeton Survey of New Jersey government.

For the next nine years Stafford stockpiled experience in the practical administration of public affairs both in this country and abroad. He helped direct the University's 1934 survey of probation in the State, held forth as a research associate for the far-reaching Princeton Surveys program, conducted relief studies in England and produced a series of notable publications capped by his "Government and the Needy," a study of public assistance in New Jersey written in the interest of the citizen who wants to know what his government is doing.

Stafford throughout the war handled top-level intelligence duties for the Navy in the Office of Censorship—first as a censor, then as a head censor and finally as Chief of the Censoring Section. Back in civilian clothes, he was called to Civil Service in 1946 as a personnel consultant and the next fall was appointed executive assistant to Commission President William Seal Carpenter. The current assignment, the equivalent of deputy director of New Jersey Civil Service, followed a six-months "acting period," during which he absorbed all of the job's headaches but not the title.

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Topics of the Town

Wait Till Next Month. With the heat wave at least temporarily gone and the town content to let August run its course, there was little current news that was drawing much talk. Shops were satisfactorily busy for this time of year and parking space was occasionally hard to find, but for the most part the town was enjoying a mid-summer siesta.

Yet within a few short weeks, two municipal gatherings fall due that bid fair to hit the attendance jackpot. On Monday, September 12, the township will hold its hearing on the advisability of a major rezoning change to accommodate a proposed multi-million dollar shopping district. With a month to go, interest was mounting noticeably in many parts of the community.

The following night, the borough will reveal the phraseology of the much-discussed referendum on the proper route through or around Greenholm. If all of the conceptions of how to give the public the best opportunity to express its opinion on the complex matter could be harmoniously welded into one or two lucid questions on the ballot, it would approach a municipal miracle.

Slack Season Beaten. Searching for a way to keep his 55 employees busy during the slack Summer season, Manager John Archer of the

University Laundry began early last spring to look for a community whose population shot upwards while Princeton's was in a seasonal decline. In Surf City, located on Long Beach Island some 70 miles south of here on the Atlantic Ocean, he thought he had found it. When he and Mrs. Archer and plant superintendent James Lovelace finished a carefully-prepared poll on the laundry needs and habits of the ocean resort, and matched their findings against the job existing competition was doing in the area, his conviction gained strong foundations.

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ice. The staff of 55, which could count in past Summers on only 28 hours pay a week, now is assured of a full 40, with frequent opportunity for overtime.

Help Wanted. Over a period of several decades, the record of Princeton-educated Chinese students who have returned home to strengthen the ties between China and the Western world has been outstanding. Today, the need for men faithful to the ways of democracy and ready to combat communism is greater than ever in China, yet even in the United States the on-rushing Red tide has had its effects. Ten Chinese students now at Princeton are cut off from all sources of revenue from their homeland; immigration laws prohibit them from obtaining any kind of work here.

In some cases, it is already a matter of funds for food, clothing and living quarters. In every case, it is a question of furthering education that will strengthen Sino-American relations through the years to come.

The sum of \$5,000 is the initial goal, with contributions payable to the Chinese Association of Princeton and sent to the Office of the Graduate School, Princeton University. A board of trustees named by the association, consisting of two Americans and one Chinese, will administer the fund.

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Coming Events. A series of play-offs lies ahead for the Tigertown entry, the first of them set for Princeton this Thursday or Friday evening. It has been scheduled as the result of a first-place tie in the circuit that developed when Belle Mead won three postponed games in a row and the re-play of 9-9 tie between Princeton and Blawenburg went to the latter, 5-4. Dick Panicaro, son of Nick Ross, the Princeton third baseman, delivered a pinch single good for two runs and a Blawenburg victory.

Play-Offs Progress. The "A" Softball League saw the Phantoms and the Forty-Niners run through the first four games without a decision in the battle for the Town Topics Trophy. The first contest was a 7-7 tie; the Phantoms took the next two, 15-8, 6-5, but the Forty-Niners came back to post an

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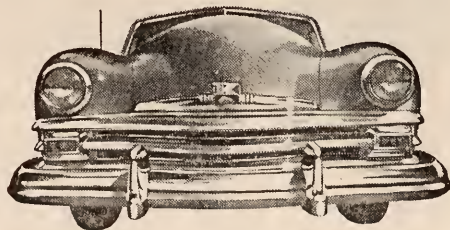
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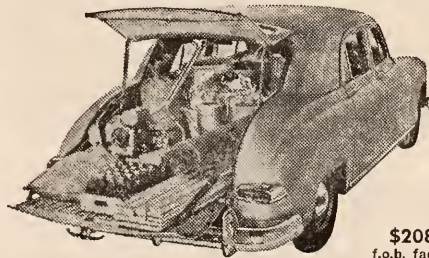
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News of the Theatres

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Swan Song. A combination of insurmountable obstacles—too much hot air and too little money—served this week to write a premature end to the third and presumably last season of the Princeton Drama Festival. Unable to cool their audiences inside the McCarter, yet finding those who stayed away increasingly chilly, Producers Kennedy and Kenwith called off their venture three weeks before its scheduled finale.

According to published reports, a substantial net was shown only by Tallulah Bankhead's "Private Lives," despite an initial outlay of \$5,000 to her for nine performances. Winston Churchill's daughter, Sarah, with Jeffrey Lynn opposite her, failed to break even. A front-page review in a Philadelphia paper, which credited Miss Churchill with the right to sue her cast for non-support, was hardly calculated to boost box-office receipts.

The shows billing Edward Everett Horton and Sonny Tufts incurred losses reportedly running into four figures. Yaleman Tufts drew \$2,000 for his week but his ticket sales grossed only \$4,500 against his salary and \$6,000 in other McCarter expenses for each six-day stand.

Hildegarde, a nightclub singer, was the Drama Festival's final offering this week. Her appearance was strictly a swan song.

MURRAY THEATRE

Arms and the Man, a Shavian view of war and heroes, is the University Players' current offering. Equipped by G. B. Shaw with biting but witty satire and by the Players with a good cast, it's another in the series of worthwhile theatrical offerings they've been giving Princeton this Summer. Next week, *Measure for Measure*, a Shakespearian comedy of double-dealing in ancient Venice which Robert Chapman and Willard Thorp will direct.

THE PLAYHOUSE

Slattery's *Hurricane* (Thurs.-Sat.) has a good performance by Richard Widmark and some fine Navy footage as he flies his plane into dead center of a hurricane to aid in plotting its course. Both help relieve a routine plot about a veteran pilot who becomes involved with a dope smuggling ring and his

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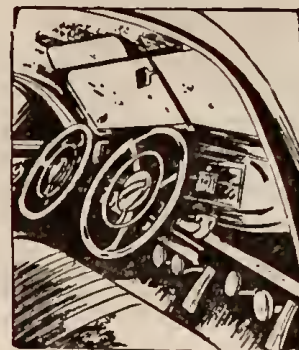
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Miscellany. For demonstrating leadership, participation and co-operation, eight boys and girls were honored this week at the community's playgrounds... "Oscars" in the form of medals went to Fay Stratton and David Wilbur of the high school ground, Elaine Jackson and John Dellepazze of Witherspoon, Loretta Thomas and Ronald Friel of William and Olden, Jean Rosenberg and Thomas McCarthy of Western Way.

One Princetonian who couldn't go to the Mercer Engine Co. outing Saturday enjoyed it even more than the large group which partook of the hospitality and recreation... she's Mrs. Mary Bruce of 123 Jefferson Road, who held the winning ticket on the television set... for injuries sustained when she slipped on a Witherspoon crosswalk while it was being painted last Spring, Mrs. Charles D. Huber of Rosedale Road is asking the borough for \$116.

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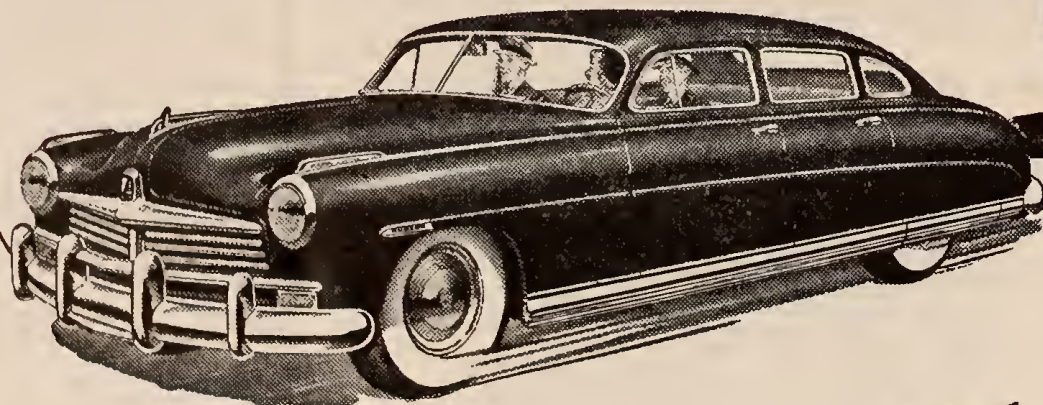
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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

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war-time buddy's wife.
It's a Great Feeling (Sun.-Wed.) features Dennis Morgan, Jack Carson, Doris Day in a Technicolored musical which spends its time ribbing the motion picture industry in genial fashion. Warner Brothers' best (Edward G. Robinson, Joan Crawford, Gary Cooper, Danny Kaye, Jane Wyman among them) make brief appearances, often burlesquing themselves. Light but pleasant fare.
The Mighty Joe Young (Thurs.-Sat.) is a gigantic but (unlike his predecessor, King Kong) friendly gorilla who has numerous adventures in both Africa and Hollywood. Trick photography has a field day as the ape—actually a puppet no more than 18 inches high—is pictured as a monster dwarfing his captors to Lilliputian size. Clothe your thoughts in make-believe and the odds are you'll enjoy the hokum.

THE GARDEN
The Walking Hills (Fri.-Sat.), filmed in Death Valley, is a tense search for a wagon train of gold buried 100 years ago by the shifting sand dunes. Randolph Scott, Ella Raines and some melodious folk singing by Josh White.
Penny Serenade (Mon.-Tues.) is a musical of pre-war vintage, brought back primarily because hot weather and light entertainment go well together. Cary Grant and Irene Dunne give refreshing performances.
Four Steps in the Clouds (Wed.-Thurs.) brings a comedy as the foreign film for the week. This is an Italian production with the usual English captions.

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Calendar of the Week

Saturday, August 20th
8:15 p.m.: Western Motion Picture and
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Presbyterian Church.

Sunday, August 21st
7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass,
St. Paul's R. C. Church.

10:30 a.m.: Visiting Speaker, Mr. Frank
Belter; Lutheran Service; Westminster
Choir College Chapel.

11:00 a.m.: "The Second Coming of
Christ," Rev. Dr. Christy Wilson
Jr.; Union Service of First and Second
Presbyterian Churches; First
Church.

Sermon, Rev. Mr. Haig J. Nargesian;
Trinity Episcopal Church.
Sermon, Rev. Mr. Lynn H. Corson;
Methodist Church.

"Life Means Christ to Me," Rev. Mr.
Delwyn Rayson, Associate Director,
Labor Temple, New York City; Witherspoon
Presbyterian Church.

"The Marks of Jesus," Rev. Roland
F. Chandler; Princeton Baptist
Church at Fenwick Neck.

Sermon, Rev. Mr. Sylvanus Browne,
of Paulsboro, N. J.; First Baptist
Church.

Friends Meeting for Worship; Stony
Brook Meeting House.

"Mind," Lesson-Sermon; First
Church of Christ, Scientist.

Sermon, Rev. Mr. John W. Johnson;
Mt. Pisgah Church.

8:00 p.m.: "The Power of Prayer,"
Rev. Dr. Wilson; First Church.

Monday, August 22d
1:00 p.m.: Medical Clinic, Princeton
Hospital.

Tuesday, August 23d
1:00 p.m.: Surgical Clinic, Princeton
Hospital.

Wednesday, August 24th
7:30 p.m.: Outdoor Prayer Service,
Rev. Mr. Benjamin J. Anderson;
Witherspoon Church. Service at home
of Mrs. Hugh Walker, 167 John St.

8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Meeting; First
Church of Christ, Scientist.

8:30 p.m.: Mid-Week Hours of Prayer,
First Baptist and Mt. Pisgah Churches.

Thursday, August 25th
1:00 p.m.: Obstetrical Clinic, Princeton
Hospital.

7:00-9:00 p.m.: Mobile Registration
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Friday, August 26th
1:00 p.m.: Pediatrics and Eye Clinics,
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SPORTS IN SHORT

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11-10 triumph Tuesday night, the
last contest before this issue went
to press.

In the "B" League, AVC finished
on top with a 12-2 record and is
pitted against ETS in the play-offs.
National Guard squares away
against the winner of a fourth-
place play-off between the Eagles
and the Post Office.

The "C" League crown will go
to the winner of the Odd Fellows-
Jugtown series, now under way.
The I.O.O.F. nine whipped Opinion
Research twice, 7-1, 8-1, with Jug-
town topping RCA, 14-6, 17-9, after
dropping the first encounter, 8-6.

F. A. Bamman's team was
crowned the Junior Baseball
League champion when it turned
back the Holy Name Society, in a
tight duel, 1-0, thereby retaining
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Rauch was the manager, while the
squad included Clyde Thomas,
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